

**Statement from Siemens:**

Stuxnet marked a turning point for the entire automation industry, turning theoretical problems into headlines. Siemens' automation products are rigorously tested with regard to industrial security and yet must be designed to also balance the requirements of open industrial solutions which drive productivity.

We take this topic very seriously. We are diligently working on new security features to be applied to our products, systems and consulting services, including new Simatic CP (communications processors) units and Scalance security products, both of which will be introduced in the U.S. soon.

There will never be an end-point when it comes to industrial security threats, but companies can better protect their systems by staying up-to-date with the research community, following the guidance of governmental agencies, and by working with responsible, technologically-innovative vendors like Siemens. We encourage users of industrial control systems to visit [www.usa.siemens.com/industrialsecurity](http://www.usa.siemens.com/industrialsecurity) to learn more.